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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

REIDAR M. JULIUSSEN, JR.,

Plaintiff,

PLAINTIFF'S ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIM

VS

Docket No. 08 CIV. 1463 (WCC)

BUCHANAN MARINE, L.P.,

Defendant

Plaintiff, as and for his answer to the defendant's counterclaim, states as follows:

- 1. Admits the allegations contained in paragraphs "1", "2", "3" and "4" of the counterclaim.
- 2. Denies the allegations contained in paragraphs "5", "6", "7", "8" and "9" of the counterclaim.

AS AND FOR A FIRST DEFENSE TO THE COUNTERCLAIM

3. The counterclaim fails to state a valid legal claim for which relief can be granted.

AS AND FOR A SECOND DEFENSE TO THE COUNTERCLAIM

4. Any counterclaim by the defendant against the plaintiff is limited by law, to a claim for property damage caused by the negligence of the plaintiff and no recovery may be had for costs and expenses of the type and kind being sought in the counterclaim.

AS AND FOR A THIRD DEFENSE TO THE COUNTERCLAIM

5. To the extent that the counterclaim alleges negligence or comparative fault on the part of the plaintiff herein (which comparative fault and negligence are expressly denied by the plaintiff), defendant's sole remedy is a reduction in the amount of damages which plaintiff may recover under the doctrine of comparative fault.

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